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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In the Restriction Requirement mailed on **June 4, 2009**, the Examiner restricted the pending claims into the following two inventions:

Group I (claims 1-18), drawn to a fuel cell separator.

Group II (claims 19-25), drawn to a process for manufacturing the fuel cell separator.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elect Group I (claims 1-18). Claims 1-18 read upon the elected invention. Applicant notes that when the elected product claims are found to be allowable, then the process claims that depend from, or otherwise require all the limitations of the allowable product claims, will be considered for rejoinder. In the event of rejoinder, the restriction between the product claims and the rejoined process claims will be withdrawn, and the rejoined process claims will be fully examined for patentability in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.104.

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No fees are believed to be due. However, please charge any additional fees, including fees for additional extensions of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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